

# OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE



# USDA FOREST SERVICE INTERMOUNTAIN REGION, R4 SAWTOOTH NATIONAL FOREST

# Architectural Historian GS-0170-09 Term

REPLY BY: February 26, 2014 DUTY STATION: Twin Falls, Idaho

The Sawtooth National Forest is seeking qualified, interested individuals for an Architectural Historian, GS- 0170-09. The position is in the Supervisor's Office, Twin Falls, Idaho and serves as the Forest Architectural Historian. The Forest expects this position to be formally advertised in early March, 2014.

THE JOB: The position aids the Sawtooth National Forest Heritage Program Manager in the identification, evaluation, and management of historic properties through successful accomplishment of projects and assignments. This includes consultation with forest personnel regarding: historic preservation; historic property evaluations (includes Determinations of Eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places); National Register of Historic Places nominations; historic property management plans and historic property rehabilitation, restoration and adaptive re-use plans; complete Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS), Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) and Historic American Landscapes Survey (HALS) documentation; and professional interpretation of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) with other Forest Service program areas.

The position completes work within appropriate timetables, organizes and performs project components including preparation of reports, maps, inventories, and records. Develops contract specifications for project work and acts as inspector.

The position writes grants for the preservation and study of historic properties on the Forest. Establishes partnerships with local Universities, historic preservation organization and volunteers to assist in the management of cultural resources.

The incumbent must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for Architectural Historian and have working knowledge and understanding of historic preservation standards, principles, and historic preservation laws and practical experience implementing these standards, principles, and laws. In addition, they should have experience applying theories, practices and methods of architectural history and expertise with architectural resources.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines [As Amended and Annotated] Professional Qualifications Standards

#### **Architectural History**

The minimum professional qualifications in architectural history are a graduate degree in architectural history, art history, historic preservation, or closely related field, with coursework in American architectural history, or a bachelor's degree in architectural history, art history, historic preservation or closely related field plus one of the following:

- At least two years of full-time experience in research, writing, or teaching in American architectural history or restoration architecture with an academic institution, historical organization or agency, museum, or other professional institution; or
- 2. Substantial contribution through research and publication to the body of scholarly knowledge in the field of American architectural history.

#### **THE ORGANIZATION: Sawtooth National Forest**

The 2.1 million acre Sawtooth National Forest is divided into four management units – the Minidoka, Ketchum and Fairfield Ranger Districts and the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. Elevations range from 4,513 to 12,009 feet above sea level offering a great variety of landforms and vegetation. The Forest extends from northern Utah to Salmon River country in Idaho. More than 2 million visitor days of recreation occur annually on the Forest with four downhill ski areas, including the world-premiere Bald Mountain Ski Area at Sun Valley. The Forest administers the 217,088-acre Sawtooth Wilderness in addition to three other areas, totaling more than 270,700 acres, recommended for wilderness classification. The Forest has approximately 3,000 heritage resources identified in Idaho and Utah. Historic sites include Forest Service administrative sites, mining complexes, town sites, homesteads, recreational residence cabins, isolated cabins and historic landscapes. There are approximately 120 permanent/full-time employees on the Forest in addition to 100 seasonal employees.

## **Duty Station: Twin Falls, Idaho**

The City of Twin Falls is located in south central Idaho. Twin Falls is a two-hour drive from Boise (the state capitol) to the west, an hour and a half from Pocatello to the east,

and a 3½ hour drive south to Salt Lake City, Utah. Twin Falls is located at a high-desert elevation of 3,745 feet above sea level and sits on the south rim of the 500-foot deep Snake River Canyon. The population of Twin Falls is approximately 40,000. There are several smaller towns within easy commuting distance of Twin Falls, including Kimberly, Filer, and Jerome.

#### Climate

Residents of this City enjoy a very distinct four-season climate. Daytime highs in July are about 91 degrees with overnight lows of 54. January temperatures typically range from about 37 in the daytime to 19 overnight. Annual precipitation averages 17 inches of snow and 9 inches of rain. Residents enjoy sunny skies nearly 300 days annually, and the air is dry and clear.

# **Churches and Civic Groups**

There are nearly 70 local religious congregations representing 34 denominations. All major national service organizations, such as Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, Optimists as well as professional societies and youth groups are found here.

#### **Schools**

There are seven Elementary schools, two Junior highs, two Senior highs, one Alternative Junior and High School, and six private and parochial schools. Twin Falls also offers an outstanding Junior College, the College of Southern Idaho. A new fine arts center at the college brings internationally recognized Arts on Tour events to the community throughout the year. In addition, classes and limited degrees are available from Idaho State University, Boise State University, University of Idaho and Northwest Nazarene College.

#### **Health Services**

St Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and numerous clinics offer a variety of general and specialty medical services.

# **Getting Here**

Twin Falls is located just south of the intersection of Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93. Magic Valley Regional Airport serves Twin Falls and surrounding communities. Skywest Airlines, a Delta connector, offers direct flights each day to Salt Lake International Airport. Twin Falls also has Greyhound bus service.

### **Amenities**

Twin Falls offers a number of well-developed and maintained city parks and a number of organized events, hiking trails, water skiing, boating and the 212-foot Shoshone Falls. Outstanding outdoor recreation opportunities are just a short drive from Twin Falls. These include the Craters of the Moon National Monument, City of Rocks National Reserve, the Sawtooth National Forest and a number of state parks.

# Other information about the area is available at:

www.twinfallschamber.com www.magicvalley.com.

# **Outreach Response**

Interested applicants, or those desiring more information, are encouraged to contact Bret Guisto, Forest Archaeologist, at 208-737-3267.

Parties who are interested in this position are encouraged to fill out the attached form and email it to Bret Guisto at <a href="mailto:bguisto@fs.fed.us">bguisto@fs.fed.us</a> by February \_\_\_\_, 2014.